# ST. PETER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH December 8, 2019

# 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# 915 12th St. Greeley, Colorado 80631 970-352-1060 Sacramental Emergencies - 970-352-1060, press 1

MASS TIMES

Weekend <u>Saturday</u> 4:00pm (Anticipatory)

<u>Sunday</u> 7:00ам, 8:30ам, 10:00ам, 11:30ам, 6:00рм

> Weekday Monday - Friday 12:10pm Saturday 9:00am

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 2:30pm Wednesday 11:30am

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** 

Monday 12:45pm Thursday 5:00pm

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 4:00pm Friday 8:00am - 12:00 noon

#### ANGELIC ACCENTS GIFT SHOP

Monday - Thursday 10am - 2pm Sunday 8:00am - 12:45pm

# Women Growing in Christ

December 14th at 7:00 AM In the Parish Hall

**Father Tomasz** will be giving a talk on Mary All Women of our parish are invited to join us!

Please bring a breakfast dish to share for the potluck. Please invite your friends and family! Questions: Susan LaBonde at 970-353-3342

## **COLD WEATHER SHELTER**

We need your help serving about 80 guests per night!

This month's most needed items:

Winter gloves and socks **Toilet tissue** 

Pop Tarts Bottled water Granola/ fruit bars

You can bring your donations to the Guadalupe Center 1442 North 11th Ave., Greeley

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Bob Rowe, Cristin Fuentes, Kelly Graybill, Bonnie Youngman, Frank Holland, Jason Martinez, Berniece Rutz, Art Miller, Kathy Allen, Judy Houston, Ed Endres, Bryce Hares, Gimena Gunderson, Thea, Jackie Rowe, Kendall Scheiderer, Ashley, Jack Lowe, Sonny Subia, Staci Behne, Sue and Lonnie Asche, Sue and Virgil Landretti, Deacon Bill, Luke Barden, Mallory Cranwell, Inez, Ann, N. J. King, Elliot Hitchock, Tony Quigley, Josephine Valdez, Joe Yates, Skip Motter, Rodney Kontz, Lisa Biem, Ivan Linnebur, Chad Dunfee, +Matt Griego, Carlos Pena, Sonny Unrein, Wilmena Stahla, Jean Hawkins, Carla Martinez, Henry Smith, Laronda Leigh, Karen Eicher, Sharon Aughe, Tamara Wilkinson, Betty Clark, Terry Walsh, Judy Stryker, Eleanor Sneddon, Debie Simonton, Josh Yeater, Ray Burns, Marcella Holguin, Corrina Cantrell, Mary Frances Villarreal, Patricia Marie Villarreal, Roman Castaneda, Zachary Quick, Karen Johns, Cynthia Hochmiller, Lydia Castillo, Aaron Greber, Jackie J. and family, Fred Sieber, Jean Koch, John Casynn, Chrissy Moore, Diane Brown, Majorie Whittington, Red and Velda James, Priscilla French, Victor Gonzalez, Barbara Morales, Lea Ciothe, Larue Lara, Mabel Tapia, Sadie Smelker, Nestia Nuanez, Rodriguez Gonzalez, John Muniz, Cheryl Rubino, Claudean Boatman, Kevin McKenzie, Kay Anderson, Virginia Rodriguez, Neva Spencer, Carol Murphy, Bob and Lorene Steele

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 23RD

12:10 PM MASS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH Christmas Eve

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED **4 PM MASS IN THE CHURCH 4 PM MASS IN THE PARISH HALL** 7 PM SEVICE OF LIGHTS AND CAOLS 8 PM MASS 12:00 AM MIDNIGHT MASS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH Christmas Day

> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 8:00 AM MASS 10:00 AM MASS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26TH

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 12:10 PM MASS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

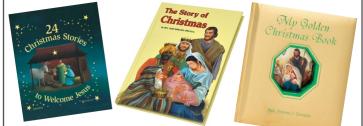
12:10 PM MASS

There will be no adoration during the week of Christmas

Youth Group Saint Night! December, 11th at 6:30pm All 6th—12th graders are welcome!

Angelic Accents Gift Shop

Come take a look at our children's Christmas books



Saint Statues are now 25% OFF! They make great Christmas gifts!

# **淞NET RFTRFAT**

Monday, January 20th St. Peter 9AM - 4:30PM



all 6th - 12th Graders are invited (THIS IS MLK DAY, NO SCHOOL)

Net retreats are high-energy experiences using large group presentations, small group discussion, music, drama, personal faith sharing, one on-one prayer, and the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist.

# **Bear Catholic**



**UPCOMING EVENTS:** 



Wednesday, December 11 6:30pm Rosary Walk Beyond Sunday at Campus Chapel: 7:00pm-8:00pm Adoration and Confession 8:00pm-9:00pm Mass

Thursday, December 12 4:45pm - 5:15pm Adoration and Confession 5:15pm - 5:45pm Mass at Campus Chapel

Friday, December 13 4:45pm - 5:15pm Adoration and Confession 5:15pm - 5:45pm Mass at Campus Chapel

> Sunday, December 15 6pm Mass at St. Peter

Have a great Christmas Break!

**UNC Catholic Campus Center** 800 19th St. across from the President's Row Dorms.

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Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" This is happening just before the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. However, prophet Isaiah seven centuries earlier exclaimed: a voice of one crying out in the desert, prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. And also today's preachers encourage in a similar way: Convert! Repent! The millennia of history were filled with the same cry. Do people still need to be called out, persuaded, encouraged to change their ways? Yes. Since the day of the drama under the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil until today, we all need the change of life, in conduct and in thought. And there were always those who said: We have Abraham as our father – as if that meant: we are perfect and we do not need pay attention to those call, we don't need to listen. John the Baptist rebukes them saying: God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

Shortly afterwards, with the same call, Jesus stood among his countrymen. Then, after His resurrection He sent His apostles to the ends of the world to proclaim that same message. In the first speech of the apostle Peter, on the day of Pentecost, he cries out: *Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins*.

Sometimes I wonder how big were the crowds listening to John over the Jordan? *Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him* – after all it's a small part of the modern world. And the word *whole* is quite possibly an exaggeration, fairly common and characteristic for the authors of that day and age. Similarly, nobody exactly counted those three thousand baptized after Peter's speech, and tens of thousands of pilgrims were coming to Jerusalem for the Feast. In that light, those numbers don't impress us too much. It is similar in our days. We see so much moral evil, dirt and disorder in the world. Crimes against life. Sins against the family. Property abuse. Manipulation of the truth - to name only these four fundamental values. Does the conversion of individuals, or even thousands out of millions, mean anything? Especially that those who have the greatest influence on shaping the public opinion and promoting the best practices, often do not reach the minimum moral level themselves. What meaning will then my conversion have? Maybe it is not worth bothering with it at all?

Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. The apostle Paul writes about hope to the Romans and to us. Hope can be weak, fragile and fading. We shouldn't be surprised. Evil seems to have the upper hand. But that is exactly why hope must be upheld, strengthened, kindled. And this is the task of us, Christians. That is why I am not asking if my conversion or my effort towards good will change the world. Hope is the conviction that God will see in everyone even a smallest instance of good and will integrate it into His great work of Creation and Redemption.

We're experiencing another Advent in our lives - a time of hope. Everyone crying for centuries: *Repent!* were and are a people of hope. They know that when one man converts, the whole world gets better. Because the growth of the Kingdom of Heaven is not measured by human statistics.

### SERVICE OF LIGHT AND CAROLS

Have you marked it on your calendar?

This is not Mass, but a special service that helps us to appreciate and truly value **the Birth of Christ in our chaotic world.** You can attend this service and stay for the 8 pm Mass which follows or you can leave at the end of this service and return for the Midnight Mass or for either of the Christmas morning Masses.

This is a service you can truly learn to cherish as it teaches much. It's part of Christmas!



# Advent Penance Services

**Tuesday, December 10**тн 6 рм Our Lady of Peace

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH 6 PM** Our Lady of the Valley

# ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of the following items:Chunky SoupsRiceCanned StewsPeanut ButterMac and CheeseJellySpaghettiCanned ChickenCanned FruitNow that the weather has gotten cold, please consider<br/>donating warm socks, hats, scarves and gloves.<br/>God bless you for your continued generosity!

	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
Sunday December 8	2nd Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 Romans 15:4-9 Matthew 3:1-12	<ul> <li>7:00AM Behne Family</li> <li>8:30 AM +Robert Hirt</li> <li>10:00AM +Felicja Strzebonska</li> <li>11:30AM Joey Blaskowski</li> <li>6:00 PM People of St. Peter</li> </ul>	8AM - 12:45 PM - Gift Shop Open
Monday December 9	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12/ Luke 1:26-38	12:10 PM +Rafael Ozambela	<ul><li>10:00 AM-2:00 PM Gift shop open</li><li>12:45 PM Eucharistic Adoration begins</li><li>1:00 - 3:00 PM Food Pantry -School</li></ul>
Tuesday December 10		Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 Matthew 18:12-14	12:10 PM Sara Carbajal	<ul><li>10:00 AM-2:00 PM Gift shop open</li><li>6:30 PM-8:30 PM Catholic Biblical School</li><li>- Parish Hall</li></ul>
Wednesday December 11	St. Damasus I, Pope	Isaiah 40:25-31 Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 Matthew 11:28-30	12:10 PM Thomas Lopez Jr.	<ul><li>10:00 AM-2:00 PM Gift shop open</li><li>11:30 AM Confessions</li><li>6:30-PM-8:00PM Youth Group</li></ul>
Thursday December 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a Psalm 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 Luke 1:5-25	12:10 PM +Ethel Martin	<ul> <li>10:00 AM-2:00 PM Gift shop open</li> <li>1:00 PM -3:00 PM Food pantry open</li> <li>5:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Ends</li> </ul>
Friday December 13	St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr	Isaiah 48:17-19 Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Matthew 11:16-19	12:10 PM Mary Blattner	<b>12:30PM –3:00PM</b> Quilters
Saturday December 14	St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church	Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Psalm 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 Matthew 17:9a, 10-13	9:00 AM Shirley Johnson 4:00 PM People of St. Peter	7:00AM-8:30AM Women Growing in Christ 10:00 AM-12:00 PM Gift shop open 2:30 PM Confessions
Sunday December 15	3rd Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10 Psalm 146:6	Psaim 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 James 5:7-10	Matthew 11:2-11